

May 13, 2004

TO: Parties and Intervenors

FROM: S. Derek Phelps  
Executive Director

RE: **DOCKET NO. 272** - The Connecticut Light and Power Company and The United Illuminating Company application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction of a new 345-kV electric transmission line and associated facilities between the Scovill Rock Switching Station in Middletown and the Norwalk Substation in Norwalk, Connecticut.

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The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) announces a revised schedule to accommodate additional evidentiary hearings in this proceeding in the month of July. All dates are 2004.

Evidentiary Hearings

Pre-filed testimony and discovery for the following is due May 25, 2004.

- Tuesday, June 1 Overhead segments 1 and 2, supported segment changes, cable technology, substations, and construction impacts.
- Wednesday, June 2 East Shore Route and all other alternative routes.
- Thursday, June 3 Ecological, historic, scenic and recreational values.

Pre-filed testimony and discovery for the following is due June 7, 2004.

- Tuesday, June 15 Council's Underground Transmission Consultant.
- Wednesday, June 16 Continuation of Electric and Magnetic Fields.
- Thursday, June 17 Continuation of subject matter.

Pre-filed testimony and discovery for the following is due on July 19, 2004.

- Tuesday, July 27 GE Modeling. Presentation of Towns' Alternatives.
- Wednesday, July 28 GE Modeling and Council's Underground Transmission Consultant.
- Thursday, July 29 Follow-up to all Witness's Testimony/Clean-Up.

Close of Record (Approximately 45 Days, Hence)

- Friday, September 17, 2004 Close of Record. Parties and Intervenors may file briefs and proposed Findings of Fact.

Draft Findings of Fact (Approximately 60 Days, Hence)

- Friday, November 19, 2004      Staff will develop draft Findings of Fact for Council review.

Opinion, and Decision & Order (Approximately 30 Days, Hence)

- Friday, December 17, 2004      Council will deliberate and render an Opinion, and Decision & Order (D&O).